(e) Subparts J and K of this part. Subparts J and K of this part set forth the process by which employers can file attestations with the Department of Labor for the purpose of employing nonimmigrant alien students on F-visas in off-campus employment and enforcement provisions relating thereto.

[43 FR 10312, Mar. 10, 1978, as amended at 52 FR 20507, June 1, 1987; 55 FR 50510, Dec. 6, 1990; 56 FR 24667, May 30, 1991; 56 FR 54738, Oct. 22, 1991; 56 FR 56875, Nov. 6, 1991; 57 FR 1337, Jan. 13, 1992; 57 FR 40989, Sept. 8, 1992; 69 FR 68226, Nov. 23, 2004]

§ 655.00 Authority of the Office of Foreign Labor Certification (OFLC) Administrator under subparts A, B, and C.

Pursuant to the regulations under this part, temporary labor certification determinations under subparts A, B, and C of this part are ordinarily made by the Office of Foreign Labor Certification (OFLC) Administrator (OFLC Administrator) of the Employment and Training Administration. The OFLC Administrator will informally advise the employer or agent of the name of the official who will make determinations with respect to the application.

[71 FR 35518, June 21, 2006]

Subpart A—Labor Certification Process for Temporary Employment in Occupations Other Than Agriculture, Logging, or Registered Nursing in the United States (H–2B Workers)

§655.1 Scope and purpose of subpart A.

This subpart sets forth the procedures governing the labor certification process for the temporary employment of nonimmigrant aliens in the United States in occupations other than agriculture, logging, or registered nursing.

[55 FR 50510, Dec. 6, 1990]

§655.2 Applications.

Application forms for certification of temporary employment of nonimmigrant aliens may be obtained from and should be filed in duplicate with the appropriate State Workforce Agency serving the area of proposed employment.

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§655.3 Determinations.

- (a) When received, applications for certification shall be forwarded by the State Workforce Agency to the appropriate National Processing Center, who will issue them if he or she finds that qualified persons in the United States are not available and that the terms of employment will not adversely affect the wages and working conditions of workers in the United States similarly employed.
- (b) In making this finding, such matter as the employer's attempts to recruit workers and the appropriateness of the wages and working conditions offered, will be considered. The policies of the United States Employment Service set forth in part 652 of this chapter and subparts B and C of this part shall be followed in making the findings.
- (c) In any case in which the OFLC Administrator, Employment and Training Administration, determines after examination of all the pertinent facts before him or her that certification should not be issued, he or she shall promptly so notify the employer requesting the certification. Such notification shall contain a statement of the reasons on which the refusal to issue a certification is based.
- (d) The certification or notice of denial thereof is to be used by the employer to support its visa petition, filed with the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services of the Department of Homeland Security.

[33 FR 7570, May 22, 1968, as amended at 43 FR 10311, Mar. 10, 1978. Redesignated and amended at 55 FR 50510, Dec. 6, 1990; 71 FR 35518, 35521, June 21, 2006]

§655.4 Territory of Guam.

Subpart A of this part does not apply to temporary employment in the Territory of Guam, and the Department of Labor does not certify to the United